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In re patent application of:

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For: N-ACETYL ALDOSAMINES AND RELATED N-ACETYL COMPOUNDS, AND  
THEIR TOPICAL USE



Group Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: M. Williamson

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 26, 1999, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following Remarks.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 9, line 7, after "COOH," please insert -- NH<sub>2</sub> --.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 3, 5, and 13 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend the remaining claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A composition comprising (A) a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle for topical treatment of cosmetic conditions or dermatological disorders and (B) a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound selected from the group consisting of N-acetyl aldosesamines, N-acetyl amino acids, and isomeric or nonisomeric, free acid, salt, lactone, amide, or ester forms thereof,

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